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Red lips that dumbly quiver for his kiss
And now but fondly touch his graveyard stone—
Ah, lips he loved of old, remember this,
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—Arthur J. Stringer in Harper's Magazine.

A STROKE OF GENIUS.

It Elicited the Unbounded Admiration of the Farmer.

Only a few summers ago, among the many others that visited the wild region adorned by one of Michigan's inland lakes, was an artist. He had a wealth of scenery from which to select and chose a picturesque view with a hill of rocks and jack pines as a background. The owner of the property transferred to canvas did not think much of the enterprise or of the man who would dawdle away his time in such an undertaking, but the artist paid the summer rates without a murmur and never entered any complaints against the accommodations. The next season the painter was again among the guests.

"How did that there picter of yours come out, anyhow?" asked the curious landlord.

"Oh, fairly well. You know that I have my name to make yet. I sold it for $1,000."

"No," exclaimed the farmer excitedly, "not $1,000. You're chaffin me."

"Not a bit of it," laughed the artist, "I got $1,000 for that little view before there was a frame on it."

"Shake, stranger. I allus thought I was purty slick on a dicker, but I'll be doggone if you don't take the prize. You skinned that feller slick and clean."

"How so?" indignantly, for his pride was touched.

"Oh, don't play innercent with me. It won't go no further. But you done him brown. A thousand fur that spot where you couldn't raise a bean to the acre! If the critter that bought that picter had seen me, I'd a sold him the hull durn farm for $275."—Detroit Free Press.

In the Tap Root of an Oak.

I remember a curious incident connected with the tap root of an oak. This oak, a good tree of perhaps 200 years' growth, was being felled at Bradenham wood when the woodmen called attention to something peculiar on the tap root. On clearing this of soil we found that the object was a horseshoe of ancient make. Obviously in the beginning an acorn must have fallen into the hollow of this cast shoe, and as it grew through the slow generations the root filled up the circle, carrying it down into the earth in the process of its increase till at length we found wood and iron thus strangely wedded. That tap root with the shoe about it is now or used to be a paperweight in the vestibule of Bradenham Hall.—Rider Haggard in Longman's Magazine.

Pure Water a Poison.

By "chemically pure water" we usually understand perfectly fresh, distilled water. Distilled water is a dangerous protoplasmic poison. The same poisonous effects must occur whenever distilled water is drunk. The sense of taste is the first to protest against the use of this substance. A mouthful of distilled water, taken by inadvertence, will be spit out regularly. The local poisonous effect of distilled water makes itself known by all the symptoms of a catarrh of the stomach on a small scale. The harmfulness of the process, so much resorted to today, of washing out the stomach with distilled water is acknowledged.—National Druggist.

Official Lampposts.

The placing of lampposts in front of the houses of the chief magistrates of towns is an ancient custom. We find in Heywood's "English Traveler" that posts were so placed in front of sheriffs' houses. Reginald says

What brave carved posts! Who knows but here
In time, sir, you may keep your shrievaltie
And I be one o' th' serjants?

From sheriffs, the practice extended to the houses of mayors and provosts. It has been suggested, with some probability, that the posts were at first intended for the affixing of proclamations which it was the duty of the sheriffs to publish.

A Forgetful Spouse.

Mrs. Bilkins—I never saw such a forgetful man in my life as you are. The clock has stopped again.

Mr. Bilkins—That's because you forgot to wind it.

Mrs. Bilkins—You know very well, Mr. Bilkins, that I told you to remind me to wind it, and you forget about it.—New York Weekly.

Her Mistake.

"How did it happen that Miss Singleton refused to marry the young clergyman?"

"Why, when he proposed to her she, being a little deaf, thought he was asking her to subscribe to the organ fund. So she told him she had promised her money to some other mission."—Harper's Bazar.

Proud of His Descent.

O'Brien—And so Phelim is proud av his descint, is he?

McTurk—Yes, he is terribly stuck up about it.

O'Brien—Well, begorra, Oi've a bit av a descint meself to boast about. Oi descinded four stories wanst whin the ladder broke and niver shpilled a brick.—Answers.

Not Yet.

"Are you related to each other?" inquired the probate judge at Oklahoma City of a German bridal couple bearing the same name. And the groom replied: "Nein. Das is vat's de matter. Ve vants to be alretty."—Kansas City Journal.

Over 2,000,000 bottles, of the value of $35,000, are recovered each year from the dustyards in London and returned to their owners.

"There's something wrong with this bill,' said the young married man to the milliner' who has imported Parsian prices as well as styles.

"It is correct in every item," after looking it over.

"Eight dollars for that bird, no bigger than my fist?"

"Yes, sir, and cheap at that."

"All right, madam, I'll settle; but it's robbery. We had our first anniversary yesterday and I bought a ten-pound turkey for $1.25."

When a man gets beaten in politics he is mad at his wife for not being to blame for it.

Keeping Up Appearnnees.

A "licensed pawnbroker" who does a great deal of work in the west end of London lately gave to the writer particulars of a strange sort of pledging that has become common of late and that often defeats men of his kind.

Backing up his statement with actual names and dates, he said:

"A bailiff and I enter a showy flat, say, and my accustomed eye at once falls on a handsome or at least a pretentious piano. I say to myself that this piano will sell for what I require. I go to it, but find that it is locked. I ask for the key, and when this is reluctantly produced I find that there is in reality nothing but a case. All the inside of the instrument is gone. The fact is that people in difficulties who still want to keep up appearances can borrow money, while still apparently retaining their piano, by allowing the lenders to take away the main part, or inside, of the instrument. One man in the west end in particular does a considerable business by lending money on pianos in this way.

"I suppose that when visitors want to play on an instrument of this kind the host pleads that the key is lost. Anyhow I have in my own business had quite 50 examples of gutted pianos during the last two years, and I never mark a piano down in an inventory now till I have closely examined it."—London Answers.

A Neighing Cock.

Camden says the Thames was once called the Cockney, and therefore a cockney means simply one who lives on the banks of the Thames. Wedgewood says a cockney, or cockerney, is one pampered by city indulgence, in contradistinction to rustics hardened by outdoor work. There is, however, a legend, almost too good to be true—namely, that a Londoner who had never before slept out of sound of Bow Bells had occasion to go into the country and was detained all night.

He was much disturbed by the lowing of the cattle, the grunting of the pigs and other sounds of country life, which he could not understand, and in particular he was frightened by the crowing of the cock. In the morning, in response to the farmer's inquiries, he said the sound of the wild beasts had kept him awake. Just at that moment the cock crowed again, and the Londoner said: "That's the one! He's been neighing like that for hours!" Since then Londoners have been called cock-neighs, or cockneys.

Learning the Truth.

A school inspector was examining a class in grammar and trying to explain the relations of adjectives and nouns by a telling example.

"Now, for instance," said he, "what am I?"

That was an easy question, and all the children shouted. "A man!" and then looked around triumphantly, as much as to say, "Ask another."

"Yes. But what else?" said the inspector.

This was not so easy, but after a pause a boy ventured to suggest, "A little man."

"Yes, but there is something more than that."

This was a poser for the youngsters, but after a moment's puzzled silence an infant phenomenon almost leaped from his seat in his eagerness and cried to the inspector:

"Please, sir, I know—an ugly little man!"

Drummond Was on Top.

Professor Henry Drummond had a boyish spirit when a man, and at the age of 26 invented a game for some friends at a country house one rainy evening. He said: "They play it in America with bowie knives. Four men are locked in a dark room, each in a corner, and the survivor wins. We'll do without the knives; the door and the shutters shall be shut, each of us will stand in a corner, and the first who gets on another man's back will be the winner."

Dr. Smith was in the game, and he says it was the most exciting one he ever played. "Nobody stirred from his corner for 20 minutes. Then I heard a scuffle between two of the others, felt my way to fling myself on both of them, when Drummond pounced on me, and we all rolled in a heap, he, of course, on top, as he always was."

The English For Canaille.

During the Tichborne trial, where Mr. Justice Hawkins was opposed by Dr. Kenealy, in the course of a discussion whether equivalent terms could be found in English for French words, and vice versa, Mr. Hawkins was asked whether he thought the word canaille could be adequately rendered in our language. He answered without a moment's hesitation, 'Yes, 'Kenealy.'"—Green Bag.

Inferiority of Nature.

Visitor (at art store)—Here is a family group, now, that illustrates what I was talking about a moment ago. The figures are correctly enough drawn, but so utterly stiff and unnatural that I can't imagine where the artist got his idea.

Dealer—My dear young lady, that is not a painting. It is a colored photograph from life.—Chicago Tribune.

Japan's Area.

The empire of Japan is composed of four large and 3,000 small islands, forming an arc of a large circle extending from the northeast within a few miles of Kamchatka, southwest about 2,000 miles, and, with Formosa nearly 3,000 miles from an arctic climate, to one of perpetual spring and everlasting summer.—Keystone.

The British court is called the court of St. James because St. James' palace, London, is its official headquarters.

A horse will eat in a year nine times his own weight, a cow nine times, an ox six times and a sheep six times.

A Thousand Tongues

Could not express the rapture of Annie E. Springer, of 1125 Howard st, Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure—"it soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the Universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50c. and $1.00. Trial bottles free at Vaughan's Pharmacy; every bottle guaranteed.

Superstition and Its Effects.

I wish that some one would write an adequate book upon superstition and its effects, as distinguished from and opposed to revealed religion and its effects. This curse of the world, civilized or savage, deserves a worthy chronicler. Walking round the exhibits in the Agricultural hall, it was borne in to my mind that superstition in all its hideous phases is perhaps the most concrete and tangible form in which the evil one manifests himself upon earth, and I think that those who have mixed much with native races will not disagree with me.

Here is an instance of its working which has just come to my notice: Not long ago two Matabeles were tried at Bulawayo for the murder of their grandson, a child of 2. Poison having failed, the boy was held beneath the water and drowned. The crime was admitted, but the defense raised was that the child had cut its top teeth first. Such children being unlucky and the cause of ill luck to others, it was customary to kill them, and a "witch doctor," on being consulted, had ordered that this one should be put to death! Well, only a century or so since we did things almost as bad in England.—Rider Haggard in Longman's.

An Added Burden.

I was taking my dinner one day at a mountain farmhouse on the headwaters of the Cumberland river, and the lady of the house, who had four children playing around the front of the establishment, was inclined to repine at her hard luck in having so much work to do.

"I run this here whole farm," she said in a tone which indicated that she was ready to resign.

"How many acres have you?" I inquired.

"A hundred and forty—20 in wheat, 60 in corn, 10 in medder an paster, an the balance scatterin an woods."

"Got any stock?"

"Ten head uv cattle, two cows, six hogs an work critters fer the place."

"And you run the whole business?"

"Indeed I do—every hide an hair uv it," she sighed.

"Don't you hire some help?"

"In course, but 'tain't hired help that takes the load of'en a body." There was philosophy in that statement, and I paused a minute.

"Haven't you got a husband?" I next asked with a good deal of sympathy.

"Yes," she responded very slowly, "but I have to run him too."—Washington Star.

He Got the Fees.

Sagar, the verger of Halifax parish church, was quite a character in his way. He figured in several good stories in Dean Pigou's "Phase of My Life." On one occasion a bridegroom discovered after the service that he had no money with which to pay the fees.

Sagar went to the bride in his most winsome way and asked her: "Hast ever seen Black Bibles? We've a rare lot on 'em in this 'ere vestry."

"No," she replied, not having the faintest idea of what a Black Bible was.

"Coom along. I'll show yer them."

He lured her into the inner vestry.

"There's the Bibles," he said, pointing to them, locked up as they were in a bookcase with glass panels, of which he had not the key. "Wait awhile till I come back."

He turned the key of the vestry on the bride and, going to the bridegroom said, "Lass is all right, but you'll no have her till you have paid."

The "brass" was immediately forthcoming.

A Happy Introduction.

An Englishman who is an enthusiastic Alpine clubbist came in one night to carry a friend off to a lecture which the veteran mountaineer Whymper was giving at Westminster on his pet theme, "Twenty Thousand Feet Above the Sea." The friend could not go, for he was otherwise engaged, but Whymper's name reminded him of a story of Sir James Linton, the late president of the Royal Institution of Painters In Water Colors. He had to introduce the well known artist E. M. Wimperis to the Alpinist, and he did it in the following fashion: "I want to make two distinguished men known to each other. The one is Mr. Whymper, the other Mr. Wimperis." For an impromptu this is not bad.

A Haughty Reply.

A story about William Pitt I read or heard somewhere many years ago, it is to be feared, is not authentic, as I cannot find it in Lord Stanhope's or Lord Rosebery's book. It represented a noble mediocrity as assuring the great statesman with some condescension that he might fairly expect an earldom for his magnificent services.

"I an earl!" was the haughty reply. "I make dukes."—Macmillan's.

The Capital of Holland.

A gentleman—to the best of our recollection a retired linen draper—went into school one day with the intention of putting the fifth standard through their facings in the geography of Europe. He began, "What is the capital of 'Olland?" "Capital H," was the crushing rejoinder from the smart boy of the class. The ex-linen draper did not pursue his geographical inquiries further.—Cornhill.

A Deadly Weapon.

Bronxborough—Where are those biscuits you made for supper?

Mrs. Bronxborough—You don't want to eat biscuits at this time of night, do you?

Bronxborough—Of course not! I want to throw them at those cats out in the back yard.—New York Journal.

More coffee is used in the United States than in any other country, the annual consumption being not far from 450,000,000 pounds, for which American importers pay about $90,000,000 to the growers.

Men have been known to lose by perspiration 5,000 to 6,000 grains an hour.

Father—"So you have gambled away that last $1,000 I advanced?"

Son—"Yes, sir. I cannot tell a lie. I followed your lead on wheat."

Yet a few days and we shall pass
That vernal hint, "Keep off the grass;"
Meanwhile we guard our garb from taint
By noting this small placard. "Paint."

Clinker—"Did you know that your wife holds you up as a model?"

Blinker—"I didn't know anything about the model part, but I know she holds me up."

HIS FIRST THIMBLE.

Inventor John Lofting Made a Fortune From It 200 Years Ago.

"There is a rich family named Lofting in England," said a dealer in fancy articles, "the fortune of whose house was founded by so apparently insignificant a little thing as the thimble.

"The first thimbles seen in England were made in London less than 200 years ago by a metal worker named John Lofting.

"The usefulness of the article recommended it at once to all who used the needle, and Lofting acquired a large fortune and great fame in the manufacture of the new accessory to the needle-worker's art.

"The implement was then called the thumb bell and was worn on the thumb.

"The clumsy mode of utilizing it was soon changed, but when and why the name thimble was given the article do not appear.

"Lofting's thimbles, and, in fact, all thimbles, were made of either iron or brass, and specimens of them extant, many of which are preserved as heirlooms, are crude and clumsy looking things compared with the commonest thimbles of today, although their cost was many times as much.

"Today gold, silver, iron, ivory, steel, sometimes glass and even pearl and celluloid are utilized in making thimbles. Since art needlework became fashionable thimbles of elaborate workmanship and great value, to accompany the rich and costly implements and materials wealthy needleworkers affect, have found a large sale.

"Solid gold thimbles, carved and frequently set with diamonds, have been found none too good for some people. Thimbles made to order, with the monogram or initials of the person for whom they are intended set in precious stones, are not by any means unknown."—Philadelphia Press.

HE ATE THE SOAP.

Garland Would Have Swallowed It If It Had Killed Him.

The late Augustus H Garland, who was attorney general under President Cleveland, was very fond of practical jokes and during his term of service in the senate frequently turned the laugh on his colleagues. Senators Voorhees and Vest, with whom he was very friendly, finally determined to turn the tables. Mr. Garland had a habit, like Voorhees, of munching candy, and Vest and Voorhees made it up between them to take advantage of his fondness for sweets to play their trick. They had some tempting looking chocolate caramels prepared, with the interior filled with brown soap. These they took to the senate chamber and Voorhees placed them on his desk. The lid being off when Mr. Garland sauntered down the aisle he noticed them at once.

"What have you there, Dan?" he inquired.

Voorhees looked up carelessly from his writing and responded "Caramels. Help yourself."

Garland needed no second invitation and, picking up two or three, placed one in his mouth. Steadily he chewed away, his face betraying no sign of the conflict within him. This alarmed Voorhees, who went to Vest's desk and said:

"He's eating them, Vest. What shall we do? The stuff will kill him sure!"

Senator Vest replied that it could do no more than make him sick. Garland swallowed the stuff, although he was foaming at the mouth from the soapsuds. He joked the incident afterward with great gusto and said he would have swallowed it if it had killed him.—New York Sun.

Strengthening Weak Eyes.

What is said to be an excellent lotion for strengthening weak eyes is as follows: Take teaspoonful of boracic powder and a pint of boiling water. Put the powder in a jug and pour the water over it. Stir until quite dissolved, then put the solution into a bottle and keep well corked until required. When required, add a little boiling water to an eggcupful with or without the addition of two teaspoonfuls of laurel or elder flower water, and bathe the eyes frequently with this, using a soft rag or fine sponge for the purpose.—New York Tribune.

Insect Notes.

The slow flapping of a butterfly's wing produces no sound. When the movements are rapid a noise is produced which increases with the number of vibrations. Thus the house fly, which produces the sound of F, vibrates its wings 21,120 times a minute or 335 times a second, and the bee, which makes a sound of A, as many as 26,400 times or 440 times a second. A tired bee hums on E, and, therefore, according to theory vibrates its wings only 330 times a second.

The Whale Cure For Rheumatism.

It is said that in Australia there is a hotel where rheumatic patients congregate. Whenever a whale has been taken the patients are rowed over to the works in which the animal is cut up, the whalers dig a narrow grave in the body, and in this the patient lies for two hours, as in a Turkish bath, the decomposing blubber of the whale closing round his body and acting as a huge poultice. This is known as the whale cure for rheumatism.

A Bill a Berry.

Crimsonbeak—Our government always seems to do the right thing at the right time.

Yeast—What has it done now?

"Why, it has issued the new series of $1 bills just as the first southern strawberries have reached our markets."—Yonkers Statesman.

Righted.

Fuzzy—I hear your minister is a mythologist.

Wuzzy—Well, you have heard wrong. He is a Calvinist.—New York Tribune.

"No," said the statesman. "I don't believe in legislating on the drink question. The time is coming when we will all be either employers or employes, and the man who drinks can't keep his wits about him enough to be an employer, and the non-drinking employers won't give him a job; so the whole thing will settle itself."

"Flatterly's as broad as he is long."
"Yep; Flatterly's a square man."

The Difference—"They say a man is always nervous when he proposes."
"And a girl is always nervous when he doesn't."

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Topic For the Week Beginning April 16—Comment by Rev. S. H. Doyle.

TOPIC.—The eternal morning and modern missions.—Isa. lx, 1-12.

This chapter is a song of triumph upon glorified Zion. It is a magnificent picture of the church in its glory and beauty after the light of God has shone upon it, and may be looked upon as a picture of the ideal Zion after the return from captivity or a picture of the New Jerusalem or heaven. Three characteristics of this eternal morning are prominent—darkness, moral and spiritual, in the church is to disappear; many of the nations of the world are to be gathered into heaven; the nations that will not serve God are to be destroyed.

The bearing of this passage upon the subject of modern missions is clearly evident.

1. In the light of the eternal morning modern missions are seen to pay. Modern missions have two specific purposes, (1) to dispel the spiritual darkness of the world and replace it with the light of God, and (2) to lead the gentile nations to God through Christ and to eternal salvation. The picture of the prophet in its application to eternity proves that both these results are to be accomplished. The darkness of the church is to be dispelled and the light of God is to shine upon it. The nations of the world are to flock to the church of God and are to bring their wealth and consecrate it to God. These facts prove to us that mission work is successful; that it does pay. The cry that missions are a failure should be forever silenced by this picture of eternity as given to the prophet by God Himself. It gives us a view of the result of missionary efforts, and it is one that should encourage and inspire all who are interested in this great cause of God to increased zeal and earnestness in the cause.

2. In the light of the eternal morning we see the necessity of modern missions. "Darkness shall cover the earth" except where the church exists. How important therefore that the church of Christ should extend over the whole world, that this glorious light of God may be worldwide. Again it is said that at that time the nation and kingdom that will not serve God shall perish; those nations shall be utterly wasted. But how can the heathen nations serve God unless they first know God? And how can they ever know God except the church of Christ sends them the knowledge of God? The responsibility for the salvation of the world is upon us. How will we meet it? Depending upon God for strength and encouraged by the assurance of success, let us rise to the full measure of our responsibility.

Bible Readings.—Isa. xlix, 20-23; lii, 1-7; Nah. i, 15; Math. xxviii, 19, 20; Luke xv, 1-10; Acts i, 1-8; xiii, 1-3, 44-49; xvi, 8-10; Rom. x, 14, 15; Rev. vii, 9, 10; xxi, 22-24.

The Pledge In England.

The pledge that is generally used by Endeavorers throughout Great Britain is the original one, with the introductory sentence, "Relying on the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation, and trusting in God for strength, I promise Him." No one seems to know who composed this introduction. The theologians think that there is a confusion of persons in the Godhead in the phrase. They ask, "To whom does the 'Him' refer?" Some societies, especially the Irish Methodist, have adopted the American revised pledge. It was agreed by the British National council, at its recent session, to adopt, after the phrase, "I will pray to Him and read the Bible every day," the words, "that I will support my own church and its services in every way in my power." This is to be the form suggested for ordinary use.

Faith In God.

In view of the prevailing and abiding love of Him in whose hands all power in heaven and on earth is lodged what a folly seems our unbelief and what a sin and shame our worry! We have but the duty of the present. The provision for the morrow is our Father's care, and because He cares and wills that we should have the help that never fails His trusting children in their hour of need we can put our whole strength into the moment's work, assured that the morrow's task will never be allowed to pass beyond the morrow's strength. —Congregationalist.

Purity Is Power.

The rose, among the sweetest and most beautiful of God's creations, is armed with thorns, nature's sharp bayonets for warding off attack. Purity is the defence of beauty; modesty is the safeguard of innocence. The severe chastity which repels familiarity is as absolutely essential for the safety of the soul as genial attractiveness is for its beauty.—A. J. Gordon.

The Life Within.

All as God wills, who wisely heeds
To give or to withhold
And knoweth more of all my needs
Than all my prayers have told!

Enough that blessings undeserved
Have marked my erring track;
That whereso'er my feet have swerved
His chastening turned me back.

That more and more a Providence
Of love is understood,
Making the springs of time and sense
Sweet with eternal good.

That death seems but a covered way
Which opens into light,
Wherein no blinded child can stray
Beyond the Father's sight.

That care and trial seem at last,
Through memory's sunset air,
Like mountain ranges overpast,
In purple distance fair.

That all the jarring notes of life
Seem blending in a psalm
And all the angles of its strife
Slow rounding into calm.

And so the shadows fall apart,
And so the west winds play,
And all the windows of my heart
I open to the day.
—John G. Whittier.

How It Hurts!

Rheumatism, with its sharp twinges, aches and pains. Do you know the cause? Acid in the blood has accumulated in your joints. The cure is found in Hood's Sarsaparilla which neutralizes this acid. Thousands write that they have been completely cured of rheumatism by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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"How does Blankly get along? He says that he's too proud to beg and too honest to steal."

"He gets trusted."

EPWORTH LEAGUE.

Topic For the Week Beginning April 16, "The Eternal Morning and Modern Missions"—Text, Isa. lx, 1-12.

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee!"

Other ages have seen marvelous religious revivals and reformations, but no age has seen such vast changes wrought by a single religious system in such widely separated parts of the world and over such multitudes as has been effected by Christianity during this present century. Not to speak of the Old Testament revivals, which were national, the most strikingly aggressive religions have been Buddhism and Mohammedanism. The first may be called the Protestantism of the orient, as it was a reformation of Brahmanism and the previous heathen systems of the east, which had grown corrupt. Mohammedanism was a reform movement of vast importance and a wondrous advance upon the old material religions which it supplanted. At one time it threatened to overrun all Europe and divide the world with Buddhism. But neither of these systems has lifted any nation into advanced civilization and neither fulfills the requirement of a universal religion for all men.

The advance of Christianity for the first 300 years was marvelous. From obscurity and contempt it came to the seat of power in the Roman empire. Its conquest of the barbarians who overturned the empire is one of the marvels of history. Most fascinating is the story of the conversion of the northern nations of Europe and the subsequent development of the Greek, the Roman and the Protestant churches.

The deepest interest, however, centers around the work of the church during the present century. This is the era of missionary societies, Bible and tract societies. Since this century began more Bibles have been made and distributed than in all previous ages.

To see clearly the advance of the gospel one should take the map as it was in 1800 and compare it with the world now. All the Pacific islands, Japan, Korea, China, India, Africa, South America, Mexico and the Indians of America have been reached with the Bible and pure religion, and whole nations lifted from vilest barbarism and heathenism into peaceful, progressive civilization and religious purity.

Surely the light has come. Earth sees her Redeemer as never before.

Arousing Interest.

Some years since a pastor of a New England city church announced a missionary meeting for Sunday evening on a new plan. He selected two laymen to speak on some phase of missions. One of those selected for this work was a young man who had never made an address before so large a company. His timidity and objections were overcome, and he selected "The Evangelization of the Sandwich Islands" as his theme. The public library furnished several volumes which were read and noted and a short speech prepared covering the prominent points in the story of its missions. It was a simple incident and probably passed from the mind of the pastor soon after. Its effect on the young man was permanent. His interest was aroused. He was led from business into the ministry, and the mission fields of the church became matter of special study. Personal acquaintance with leading missionaries in each mission field has led to the collection of photographs, which in the form of slides for the stereopticon are widely in use among the Leagues to illustrate the work of our church among the heathen. Set the young people at work searching and talking, and they will acquire an interest which will last life long.

Power of the Word.

Some fifteen hundred years since at Milan, Italy, there was a noted teacher of rhetoric who had never become a Christian, but held to the belief of the Manicheans. His mother, a devout Christian, had never ceased to pray for his conversion. Ambrose, the eloquent bishop, was interested in the young man. But all arguments had failed to convince him and all persuasion failed to move him. One day a copy of the epistle of Paul to the Romans came under his notice and the passage "Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ and make not provision for the flesh to fulfill the lusts thereof" caught his eye and arrested his attention. He could not get away from it. It fastened conviction until he saw the truth and decided to become a follower of Jesus the Christ. He became known as Augustine and was made bishop of Hippo in Africa. Few men have been more influential in shaping the course of thought in the Christian church than he. Still the word proves itself powerful to convince and to convert, and demonstrates that it is the word of God.

The class meeting is not dead or dying. Spiritual culture will ever need expression and will seek companionship. The confessional is not adapted to an advanced condition of piety. Social communion and friendly interchange of thought are a necessity. In some form the class meeting must live wherever vital piety is not extinct. The devotional meetings of the League can do much to perpetuate this helpful means of grace. Personal testimony is a great help to a live Christian.

Twenty millions of dollars is a large sum of money, but that is what the Methodist Episcopal church proposes to raise to mark the opening of the twentieth century. It means debts paid, schools endowed, hospitals erected, missions re-enforced and advance made on every line.

Bishop Foss is writing a book on missions in India for the use of the League. He visited our work there last year, and with Dr. Goucher of Baltimore saw more than any previous official visitor had ever seen.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters;' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cts., guaranteed, at Vaughan's Pharmacy.

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How a Gallant Colonel Enriched an English Charity.

The London Daily Mail tells this pretty story of a kiss sold at auction: A fascinating actress, whose name need not be mentioned, being anxious to assist a certain charity in the provinces, offered a kiss to be put up to auction. The bidding was brisk and had advanced in three leaps from two guineas to thirty, when without further parley the round sum of £800 was offered. There being no higher bid, the kiss was knocked down by the auctioneer to a colonel in one of our line regiments, who came forward to meet the blushing young lady.

But to the surprise of all present, the colonel introduced a dear little fair-haired boy, explained that it was his grandson's fifth birthday, and that he had acquired the kiss as a birthday gift for him. Whereupon Miss——— took the child in her arms and discharged her debt with interest. The charity a local one, in which the colonel took a keen interest was the richer by £800 for the granddad's generous whim.

But a little bird whispered afterward that at the colonel's dinner party that night he had one also "on the strict Q. T."

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"WAGES STILL GOING UPWARD."

Lebanon, Pa., April 11.—Announcement have been made by the Pennsylvania Bolt and Nut Works and the East Lebanon Iron Company of a second ten per cent. increase of wages, to take effect May 1. The Lebanon Manufacturing Company to-day increased its laborers' wages ten per cent.

The West End Iron Mills have resumed operations on double turn after a year's idleness. One hundred men are given employment.

WAGES TAKE SECOND RISE.

Pottstown, Pa., April 11.—The puddlers of Potts Bros.' Iron Company, and of the lower works of the Glasgow Iron Company were notified of an increase in pay from $2.50 to $2.75 per ton, to take effect May 1. A proportionate advance will be given other employes in these departments of these works. This is the second increase given them within a short time.

The above are interesting paragraphs from that excellant Democratic paper, the "Philadelphia Record" they tell their own story. They are only two of many such news items.

In reference to the senatorial bribery investigagtion Brother Hoffecker of the "Smyrna Times" charges that we favor the investigation only of the three Democrats who voted for Addicks and would let all others escape. This is a mistake. We have said let none escape, but the Addicks organs raised the cry there were other candidates and they may be guilty of trying to bride let them be investigated. The "Times" was an exception in its first issue which position it has since repudiated. The "Times" is welcome to become the defender of Farlow, King and Clark if it insists though we have been sorry to see it.

"The "Times" has arrived at a point where it reasons that every man elected to the legislature of this State is as guilty of bribery as Mr. Addicks since in every election money more or less has been used by the parties to elect their tickets. It can mean nothing else than this. It is a case of Ephraim joined to his idols.

The "Times" is sensitive about our reference to the fact that the people believe that it is an exponent of the views of Congressman Hoffecker on that their views coincide, and that the "Times" is his organ and will be recognized as such. 'Tis true. Does Brother Hoffecker remember how often when he wanted to be a little sarcastic towards us that he has called us "an Higgins Organ"? Since ex-Senator Higgins never influenced the views of the TRANSCRIPT in the least and never tried to do so the only reason for the assertion has been that its editor voted for Mr. Higgins for Senator. The "Times" will find that "relationship" will be an excuse for dubbing it an organ of our Congressman and its views will aid him or otherwise with the people. This is an honest statement of a fact by a friend——"Mollygrubs."

If there is a paper in the State that more that another harpes upon any difference or alleged difference among Republicans that paper is the "Every Evening." In its efforts to injure and defeat Republicanism here it has done more to strengthen Addickism than any two of the acknowledged—subsidized Addicks organs. But when its ox is gored how it bellows and paws the air. The "Morning News" has given publicity this week to the great dissatisfaction among the Wilmington Democrats over the decision of J. Harvey Whiteman, Esqr., that only those persons registered during the first three days of registration can vote at the city primaries in May and for State and County delegates next year. It seems that Patrick Neary's long head saw so far in the future that though presumably in a mininty in the party his friends are those registered those "t ree days" while the friends of John T. Dickey and Willard Saulesbury have fallen "outside the breastworks" as it were. The "Morning News" has written several interesting leaders upon the family quarrel of our friends, the enemy, and the "Every Evening" like an old aunty in her dotage has declared in substance first there is no factional quarrel, secondly if there is it is a family matter and good manners should demand that the "News" should ignore it and she flirts her old petticoats around displaying the scars of many family jars.

The "Morning News" is evidently doing good service for its party and the best interests of the municipal government. We congratulate the "Morning News."

In the death of ex-Congressman James Williams the State of Delaware loses one of her honored and honorable citizens. Though he would never have claimed for himself the "gift of tongues" and took but little of the time of Congress in public address he has been credited with accomplishing as much for Delaware during his Congressional term as any member we have had in the lower House. It was in the State Senate in 1890, however, that he and ex-Gov. John W. Hall showed their constituents the strength of their characters when they refused to sanction the partisan propositions of John P. Donahoe and other schemers and voted with the Republican Senators to defeat them. Mr. Williams goes to an honored grave with the respect of every Delawarean. And Delaware has no scarcity of men of similar character, only too few of them are chosen to our General Assemblies. With more such men like Mr. Williams and Governor Hall in the legislatures of the past the present deplorable political condition of Delaware had never been.

The "Smyrna Call" utters a slight protest against the declaration in the presence of its editor recently by two prominent Democrats, one of them an official, that "there is not a straight Democratic newspaper in Delaware." The "Call" did not interprete the remark that they are all in the market for "pap" but that these gentlemen are too choice since there is "about everything in the field from the straight cut free silver sheet, up to the ultra gold bug Wilmington special."

"Mr. Yerkes, the Chicago street magnate landed in the "Windy City" in 1886, credited with being worth $25,000. He is now estimated to be worth $10,000,000 and wants to retire and live the life of a retired gentleman in New York. If he had come to Wilmington, he would be lucky to have even his original capital at this writing."—Wilmington Republican.

The above is a liber on Wilmington by a paper making its living off the people of that city which has to-day as many successful business men as any city in the country of its size. The item is a sample of the Republican's misreporting. Its political comments are worse than the above and it has no fixed standard, except its editor wants an office.

The war with Spain has been officially closed this week at Washington and the President has issued the following formal proclamation:

"Whereas a treaty of peace between the United States of America and her Majesty, the Queen Regent of Spain, in the name of her august son, Don Alfonso XIII, was concluded and signed by their respective plenipotentiaries at Paris on the tenth day of December, 1898, the original of which convention, being in the English and Spanish languages, is word for word as follows: [Here full text of Paris treaty is included.]

"And whereas the said convention has been duly ratified on both parts, and the ratifications of the two governments were exchanged in the city of Washington on the eleventh day of April, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

"Now, therefore, be it known that I, William McKinley, President of the United States of America, have caused the said convention to be made public, to the end that the same, and every article and clause thereof, may be observed and fulfilled with good faith by the United States and the citizens thereof.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done at the city of Washington, this eleventh day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-third.

"WILLIAM McKINLEY.

"By the President:

"JOHN HAY, Secretary

MY MARYLAND.

A Kent County Farmer has lost six cows with rabies since last fall, when a dog went mad and bit one of the herd.

C. W. Baker, of Aberdeen has bought the old cannery at Elkton from C. R. Foard, and will can tomatoes this season.

Baltimore has broken all records in registration figures, having 121, 339 names enrolled. Of this number, 15, 591 are colored voters.

The dates for the Talbot County Fair have been changed to August 29, 30, 31, and Sept. 1. Col. Robert Hough, of Baltimore, has been engaged to start the races at Idlewild Park during the week of the fair.

Prof. W. G. Johnson, State entomologist, and Prof. C. O. Townsend, State pathologist, have spent some time in Kent and Queen counties investigating the preseut condition of the peach buds. They say, "Many conflicting reports have been received from this section, and we deemed a personal inspection advisable. We are very glad to say that we have found a sufficient number of live buds along the bay and river front orchards to warrant a good crop, providing other conditions do not destroy them."

CURRENT EVENTS.

Justice Stephen J. Field (retired) of the United States Supreme Court died in Washington Sunday evening, aged over 81 years. And Almon M. Clapp, exprinter, died the same day in Washington, in the 88th year of his age.

W. K. Vanderbilt's country house, Idle Hour, at Oakdale, L. I. was destroyed by fire early Tuesday morning. No lives were lost, and no one injured. W. K. Vanderbilt, Jr., and his bride, formerly Miss Virginia Fair, an account of whose marriage was reported in the TRANSCRIPT, were spending their honeymoon in the house at this time.

Altgeld, at one time governor of Illinois and the most prominent of all the crowd in pushing Bryan to the front at the convention which nominated the Nebraskan in 1896; was the tail-ender in the mayoralty contest in Chicago. The people of the Garden City now have no use for the man of anarchistic tendencies, and seeing in what regard he is held there it is hardly probable that the party which once upheld him will care longer to be identified with him in any way at all prominent.

Ex-Senator H. A. W. Tabor died in Denver on Monday of appendicitis. He was once the richest man in Colorado but lost his wealth by unfortunate investments and would have been in need but that he was made postmaster of Denver by President McKinley. He was born in Vermont November 26, 1830. He imigrated to Kansas in 1855, where he served a term in the Legislature. In 1860 he engaged in placer mining in California Gulch (now Leadville.) In partnership with August Riche and George T. Hook, he opened the famous Little Pittsburg mine and later sold out for $1,000,000. Other mines in Leadville yielded enormous profits and quickly made Tabor the richest man in Colorado. In 1880 and 1881 he built the Tabor block and the Tabor Opera House in Denver and donated to the government the site of the federal building. In 1880 he was elected Lieutenant-Governor. When Senator Teller entered President Arthur's cabinet Mr. Tabor was appointed as United States Senator to fill the unexpired term of thirty days. He was a candidate for the long term as Senator, but was defeated by one vote.

San Francisco And Return.

One fare for the round trip, National Baptists' Anniversaries, May 26—30, 1899, tickets on sale May 14, 15, 16. and 17, good to return until July 15th. For full particulars call on or address John R. Pott, District Passenger Agent, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R'y, 486 William St., Williamsport, Pa., or 300 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, Pa.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Special Correspondent.

President McKinley will this week issue a proclamation notifying the world officially that Spain and the United States are at peace. The treaty signed by Queen Regent of Spain is already in Washington and the French Ambassador, acting for Spain, will arrange for the ceremony of exchanging the treaty. This ceremony will, unless present plans are changed, take place in the White House It will be interesting, but brief. The copy of the treaty ratified by Spain will be handed to the President and the copy of the treaty ratified by the United States Senate, will be handed to the French Ambassador, as the representative of Spain. The payment of the $20,000,000 called for by the treaty will speedily follow, but it is not likely that the French Ambassador will have anything to do with that. Being a business matter, it will probably be settled by the notification to the government of Spain that its accredited agent can collect the money at some European bank, in which it will be deposited by this government.

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So much time has been taken up by witnesses whose testimony has been practically the same, that the Military Court of Inquiry has announced that it will hear no more witnesses except those who have something new to offer. Gen. Shafter has reached Washington, in obedience to a summons, and will be heard this week. Gen. Miles may also be heard again. There are all sorts of rumors as to the report that the court will make, but none of them have any more substantial basis than guesses based upon the evidence as a whole. The guess most likely to prove true is that the report will recommend that the purchase of canned roast beef for the army should be stopped. The evidence against its unfitness for food is overwhelming. It has not been proven that the refrigerated beef issued to the army was chemically treated, although it has been shown that it is a common practice for fresh meats to be so treated and sold in the markets of the country.

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Ever since the bill authorizing twelve new warships became a law, there has been a good natured but spirited rivalry among the friends of various states and cities, to give their names to the new ships. The law provides that battleships and armored cruisers shall be named after states, and cruisers after cities. After consulting with Secretary Long, President McKinley announced the following as the names chosen: For battleships,—Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Georgia. For armored — cruisers,— West Virginia, Nebraska, and California.

For cruisers,— Denver, DesMoines, Chattanooga, Galveston, Tacoma, and Cleveland.

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Here is an official communication received by the Department of State from the United States Minister to Venezuela, which should be carefully read by those who grumble about the expense of keeping United States warships in foreign waters. It relates to the recent visit of the U. S. S. Wilmington to the ports on the northern coast of Venezuela. "The splendid condition and appearance of the men and the boat," writes the Minister," never failed to call forth praise from those who saw them. As a result of the trip, I think it will be found that American prestige has been substantially augmented, and the idea of American power and resources, vitalized by the war, enormously deepened and widened. Practical results are coming, too, in the way of increased commerce with the United States, and if our merchants and manufacturers will take advantage of the favorable conditions that have been created for them, they ought to profit very largely."

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President McKinley is leaving nothing undone that he thinks will maintain or add to the existing good feeling between the North and the South. His latest act in that line was to accept an invitation to attend an encampment and reunion of ex-Confederates, under the control of the Daughters of the Confederacy, to be held at Falls Church, Va., June 7th and 8th, and to deliver an address.

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The White House has two handsome new and permanent ornaments in the shape of a pair of magnificent Sevres China vases, made by order of the late President Faure, of France, expressly to be presented to the new Franco-American cable, over which President McKinley and President Faure exchanged the first messages. The presentation was made by Ambassador Cambon to President McKinley, in the blue room of the White House, where the vases are to remain. In President McKinley's address, accepting them, he said: "In the name of my countrymen I accept the gift you offer. Those beautiful vases, typical of one of the most celebrated arts of France, will remain in the Nation's care as an evidence of the friendly sentiments of the French government and people towards the United States., and as a token of the auspicious event they were designed to commemorate." The vases and pedestals, are about six feet high, and nothing handsomer of the kind has ever been seen in Washington.

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KENT COUNTY.

The farm of Samuel J. Speal, near Camden, has been sold to George Pardee, of Wilmington, for $2,300.

Dover had the first trout of the season on Monday. The shad season will likely be short on account of cold weather.

William T. Bradly, admistrator of Josiah Bradly, deceased, on Tuesday sold the 40 acre farm situated near Felton, for $1250.

Capt. P. B. Norman, who fell at the Dover Opera House recently and was badly injured, is improving but his eyesight seems to be injured and he cannot see.

The Heartly public school closed last Friday. The district had run short of money so the school will remain closed until next September. This is the home of Representative Clark who voted for Addicks.

Thomas B. Coursey will rebuild his flour mills which were recently destroyed by fire. He will put on a force of workmen sufficient to complete the structure within ninety days after it is begun. The latest improved machinery will be used in the new building.

David L. Spruance, a prominent citizen of Kent hundred, died at his residence in Kenton last Friday, in the 69th year of his age. Mr. Spruance has been sick for several weeks past and his death did not come unexpected. The deceased was one of the best known men of Kent county and was always quite a prominent figure in State and county conventions. At the time of his death he was one of the Trustees of the Poor Kent bounty.

SUSSEX COUNTY

Warren B. Todd has sold the George Smeallie farm to Dr. Walter M. Keys of New York, who will have erected thereon a labratory in which he will manufacture Keys' Remedies.

John S. Rowland, a well-known pilot of the Delaware River and Bay, died this week at his Philadelphia home from blood poisoning. His death was due to an attempt made to remove a corn with a knife.

The funeral services of Mrs Prudence Dodd, mother of Rev. Julius Dodd, were held at Georgetown on Tuesday. She died at the parsonge at Newport Saturday morning. She was 69 years of age and was a native of Georgetown. Three years ago her husband, Rev. David Dodd, died, and since then Mrs. Dodd resided with her son.

About 100 determined Sussex County Democrats met at Georgetown on Tussday and expressed their indignation for the county's two of the three legislative traitors as follows: "Elisha H. Farlow and William F. King, having left the Democratic party of thier own free will, and in view of the suspicions circumstances with which they have surrounded themselves, and their self-confessed guilt in public letters, they have forfeited the confidence of their former party associates and by their own acts on March 13th last, have proven their unworthiness of further recognition.

MAY JURORS.

The jurors for the May Term of Court beginning May 15th were drawn this week.

GRAND JURY.

Wilmington hundred—Alvan R. Morrison, William Turner.

Brandywine—James C. McComb, William A. Lindsay.

Christiana—Fred W. Fisher, A. W. Eyerson.

Mill Creek—Samuel H. Garrett, Lawrence M. Whiteman.

White Clay Creek—John T. Steele, William B. Currinder.

Pencader—Thomas R. McMullin, Thomas G. Porter.

New Castle—Christopher White, George W. Morrison.

Red Lion—F. A. Pennington, Alfred J. Davidson.

St. Georges—William R. Cochran, David W. Colpitts.

Appoquinimink—Israel Pritchard, George Wiggin, Daniel B. Maloney.

Blackbird—Abram Staats, James T. Webster.

PETIT JURY.

Wilmington—William B. Clerk, George C. Morton, Park Mason.

Brandywine — Henry Carrol, William Hinkson, Joseph W. P. Casey.

Christiana—James Eastburn, Isaac C. Snitcher. William H. Ogle.

Mill Creek—Raymond W. Broadbent, Alexander Guthrie.

White Clay Creek—Oliver C. Lynam, Frederick Currinder, George Cupit.

Pencader—William S. Armstrong, Levin Catts.

New Castle—Denning Smith, Joseph T. Gough, John Sherer.

Red Lion—William Reynolds, Enos Slack, George Deputy.

St. Georges—William H. Johnson, Joshua Clayton, Jr., George B. W. Rhoades.

Appoquinimink—George M. Watts, Frank L. Tatman.

Blackbird—Charles F. Burris, Samuel C. Derrickson, William L. David.

Sunday School Institute of Diocese of Delaware.

The Institute will be held in Immanuel Church, New Castle, Delaware, Thursday, April 20th. The following is the program:

MORNING SESSION.

10.30 A. M.—Holy Communion and Address. The Bishop. 11.30 A. M.—"The Live Sunday School. Discussion to be opened by the Rev. Wm. N. Jefferis, D. D., of Newark.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2.30 P. M.—"Sunday School Adjuncts: (1) The Library. (2) Music." Discussion to be opened by the Revs. Ashton Henry (1) and H. Ward Cunningham and Mr. Wm. J. Fisher (2) of Wilmington. 3.30 P. M.—"Two Ways of Teaching: (1) Word. (2) Example." Discussion to be opened by the Revs. Francis M. Taitt (1) of Chester, Pa., and John Warnock, of Georgetown, Del.; (2) Geo. H. Buck, Derby, Conn., and Mr. Chas. A. Cook and Mr. John S. Grohe, Wilmington. 4.30 P. M.—Intermission. 4.45 P. M.—The Question Box. The Committee in Charge.

EVENING SESSION.

7.30 P. M.—"The Church's Care for her Children (1) Past; (2) Present." Discussion to be opened by the Revs. Kensey J. Hammond (1) and Henry Thomas (2).

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A list of unclaimed letters remaining in the Middletown post office which can be had by saying they are advertised: Mrs. Hannah Hutchins, Mrs. Mary E. Jones, Mrs. Cora A. Smith, Mrs. Ella Williams, Mrs. Emma Washington, Frank Adkins, Co H, Edward Burns, Benjamin Empson, Andrew Hall, care James Jones, William Johnston, Charley Jones, George Lee, James Pierce, Edward Ruffins, Kemp Wright, Seg't Chas. Welsh, Co I 1st Del U. S. V.

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WANAMAKER'S.

Philadelphia, Monday, April 10, 1899.

The New Mattings Have Arrived 11,000 rolls—235 patterns—from China and Japan.

How bright and fresh and cool-looking are these new hand-woven floor coverings from the Orient—and there is vitality and service in newly woven Mattings, vastly different from the two-, three- or four-year-old Mattings that get a tardy start, a slow—because cheap—voyage, and fail of sale when they arrive. It is such mishaps that cast discredit on the splendid serviceableness that is given by fresh Mattings, carefully made, closely inspected and selected by us and then hurried quickly from the weavers to give the benefit of their newness and best life to you.

From China come the plain whites, the brown, blue and green checks and the semi-fancy patterns, always the same, and always reliable—when picked as these are.

Japan sends the novelties of weave, coloring and design—and the mattings are handsomer every time they come. These hints of varieties and prices—

China Mattings in fifteen grades—

At $18 a roll—21 fancy patterns, weighing 110 to 120 pounds to the roll.

At $15 a roll—19 patterns, fine, seamless; weighing 95 pounds to the roll.

At $12 a roll—22 fancy patterns, seamless; weighing 85 pounds to the roll.

At $10 a roll—29 patterns of "Whang" Mattings—made with special care, to provide a satisfactory matting at a medium price.

Other grades in Colored Mattings at $5 and $6 a roll.

Ningpo Mattings, narrow warp; 100 pound rolls at $18; 75 pound rolls at $10 a roll.

Nine grades in White Mattings—the Perfection White, very fine and weighing 120 pounds to the roll; three other seamless grades, and three grades joined. Prices, $7 to $18 a roll.

Mattings from Japan—

More than a hundred patterns in the pretty Japanese weavings—

25 patterns "Bungo"	at	$8 a roll
26 patterns "Migi"	at	$9 a roll
21 patterns "Chocho"	at	$10 a roll
27 patterns "Nishi"	at	$12 a roll
10 patterns "Yuri"	at	$15 a roll
15 patterns "Joto"	at	$18 a roll
8 patterns "Kirin"	at	$25 a roll

The full showing on second floor. Market street.

New Wrappers for Women The pretty washable Wrappers for spring and summer wear are ready in pleasing variety. Prices seem little more than the fair worth of fabrics, except on some of the more elaborately trimmed sorts. All are made in the manner that particular women will appreciate. These sorts and prices—

At 65c—Wrappers of chintz in variety of good colorings and patterns, in figures and stripes; square yoke; plaited back; lined to waist; braid trimmed; belted at waist.

At $1—Wrappers of chintz in three different styles; choice colorings; all lined to waist; nicely plaited backs; one style trimmed with insertion of lace; others trimmed with braid; all have belts at waist.

At $1.25—Wrappers of percale in fancy stripe; double pointed yoke front and back, with ruffle of same material over shoulders; lined to waist; braid trimmed.

At $1.50—Wrappers of pretty striped lawn, in black-and-white, lavender-and-white, blue-and-white and pink-and-white; pointed yoke back; ruffle over shoulder; cuffs and collar edged with neat embroidery.

Housekeeping Linens Two splendid values in Table Linens arrived from Ireland a few days ago. One lot bleached, the other half-bleached. Good-looking, serviceable linens that housekeepers will thank us for telling them about.

At 50c a yard—Half-bleached Table Linen, of sturdy quality; just an inch short of being two yards wide. Five pretty patterns to choose from.

At 90c a yard—Snow-white Table Damask, in a variety of pleasing patterns; full 2 yards wide.

LINEN TOWELS—

At 25c each—Very fine soft German huck Towels, with pretty satin-striped borders. They are light in weight and ready hemmed. Size 19x41 inches.

At 50c each—Handsome plain white huck Towels, with hemstitched ends. You'll wonder at the little price for so much flax. Size 25x47 inches.

TURKISH TOWELS—

Philadelphia may well be proud of the Turkish towel makers up in Kensington. They produce the best of this sort of merchandise, and at the least prices, too. These two for example—

At 12½c each—Extra heavy unbleached Towels; size 20x40 inches.

At 18c—Very large unbleached Towels, that were made to sell for a quarter; size 24x54 inches.

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MEN'S $20 WORSTED SUITS, $15; $15 CASSIMERE SUITS, $10.
MEN'S $10 CASSIMERE AND CHEVIOT SUITS, $7.50.
$6 WORSTED TROUSERS, $4; $5 QUALITY, $3.50; $4 TROUSERS, $2.50.

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENTS ADDED THIS SEASON

SILKS AT WHOLESALE PRICES TO YOU BY THE YARD

20 shades Glace Silk, round town price, 85c.; our price, 65c.
30 shades Plain Taffeta; round town price, 75c.; our price, 62c.
Splendid Black Taffeta; round town price, 60c.; our price, 45c.
Fine Peau de Soie; round town price, $1.75; our price, $1.25.
6 shades Stripe Taffeta; round town price, $1.00; our price, 85c.

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MISSES' TAILOR-MADE SUITS, $5, $7.50, $9.75, and up.
WOMEN'S TAILOR-MADE JACKETS, $5, $6.50, $7.50, $10, $12 to $25.

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Nothing more stylish for coat suits than these, in gray, plum, olive, navy, brown and army blue, very stylish, 50 inches wide, at 50c per yard.

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A new and beautiful line of Colored Satin Duchesse for waists, in lavender, torquoise, cerise red, purple, brown, cornflower, marine and black, 21 inches wide, $1 per yard.

Towels

from Ireland, Scotland, Germany, Belgium and France, brought out special for us, makes a saving on the following grades.

50 dozen fine Huck Towels, small size, but fine quality, 14x26 inches, for 10c. each.
50 dozen Heavy Huck, larger size, 17x33, and good quality, for 10c. each.
300 dozen fine and Heavy Huck Towels, at 12½, 15, 18, 20, 25c.
50 dozen fine knotted fringed or hemstitched Damask Towels, new and pretty patterns, 25c. each.
50 dozen extra fine double Damask, knotted fringed or hemstitched Towels, at 37½, 50, 75, $1.00 and $1.25 each.

Table Linens.

Our stock of Table Linens will compare favorable with any in the country. Imported direct by us, our prices are the very lowest. All the latest designs and patterns will be found here. Every line represents a bargain. Some of the good ones are as follows:

56 in wide unbleached Damask, 25c.
62 inch wide all pure linen Damask, extra heavy, 37½c. per yard.
64 inch wide all pure linen German Damask, grass bleached, 50c.
Napkins to match, ¾ size, $1.00; ¾ size, $1.75.
Extra fine 72 inch bleached Damask, $1.00 grade for 65c.
Extra fine 72 inch double Damask, 83c., $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and $2.00 per yard.

Night Shirts.

50 dozen men's Night Shirts made of good quality muslin, nicely trimmed with fancy fronts, all sizes, cut plenty full, at 39c for 75c grade.

Blankets and Comfortables

Only a few of these Winter goods left that we will close out this week at bargain prices. The comfortables range in price from 95c to $5; Blankets 75c to $3.95 per pair.

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INCOME

Received for Premiums	$42,818,748 51
From all other Sources	12,687,880 92
	$55,006,629 43

DISBURSEMENTS

To Policy-holders for Claims by Death	$13,265,903 00
To Policy-holders for Endowments, Dividends, etc.	11,485,751 37
For all other accounts	10,493,379 86
	$35,245,038 88

ASSETS

United States Bonds and other Securities	$160,956,141 34
First Lien Loans on Bond and Mortgage	68,503,580 00
Loans on Bonds and other Securities	9,296,619 00
Real Estate appraised by Insurance Superintendents at $23,534,926.88; Book Value	20,034,949 61
Cash in Banks and Trust Companies	11,621,217 36
Accrued interest, Net Deferred Premiums, etc.	6,131,957 13
	$277,517,325 24

LIABILITIES

Policy Reserves, etc.	$233,058,940 63
Contingent Guarantee Fund	42,238,384 61
Divisible Surplus	2,220,000 00
	$277,517,325 24
Insurance and Annuities in force	$971,711,997 73

I have carefully examined the foregoing Statement and find the same to be correct; liabilities calculated by the Insurance Department.

CHARLES A. PREELLER Auditor

From the Divisible Surplus a dividend will be apportioned as usual.

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MIDDLETOWN, DEL., APRIL 15, 1899

THE CHURCHES IN MIDDLETOWN.

Bethesda M. E. Church.—Rev. Isaac L. Wood, Pastor. Preaching every Sabbath at 10.30 a. m., and 7.30 p. m. Sabbath School every Sabbath at 2 p. m., A. G. Cox, Superintendent. Prayer meeting, every Thursday evening, 7.30 o'clock. Junior Epworth League and Epworth Cadets every Friday night at 7 o'clock. Young Ladies' Mission Circle, Monday nights at Parsonage. Women's Foreign Missionary Society, first Friday night of each month. Women's Home Missionary Society, first Thursday night of each month. Mite Society, first Saturday night of each month. Official Board meeting first Friday afternoon of each month at 2.30 o'clock.

Forest Presbyterian Church.—Rev. F. H. Moore, Pastor. Services held every Sabbath morning at 10.30 o'clock, and every Sabbath evening at 7.30. Sabbath School will be held every Sabbath morning at 9.15 o'clock, H. C. Ellison, Superintendent. Prayer meeting every Wednesday evening. Young People's Society Christian Endeavor meets every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock. Junior Society Christian Endeavor every Sunday after noon at 3 o'clock.

Services at Armstrong's Chapel the first Sabbath of each month at 3 p. m.

St. Anne's Protestant Episcopal Church.—Rev. Wm. J. Wilkie, Rector. Holy Communion on the first Sunday in the month at 10.30 a. m. On all other Sundays at 7.30 a. m. Divine services every Sunday at 10.30 a. m., and 3.30 p. m. Morning Prayer and Litany every Wednesday and Friday at 10 a. m. Evening Prayer on Friday at 3.30 p. m. On all Holy Days service at 10 a. m., and 3.30 p. m. Sunday School at 9.45 a. m. Adult Bible Class at 3.45 p. m. The Guild meets every Thursday at 2 p. m., the Ladies on the first and third Fridays of each month at 2 p. m., the Boys' Club on Friday evenings at 7.30 and the Junior Auxiliary on Saturdays at 3 p. m.

NOTICE.

Because of illness many subscriptions paid recently have not been changed on the labels though properly credited in the subscription books. Prompt notice should be given of failure to receive paper, or if town carrier does not leave paper where desired.

Local News.

—Remember that J. F. McWhorter & Son have a full line of carriages and agricultural Implements on hand

—Shirts, 10c; Cuffs, 4c; Collars, 2c. All work guaranteed to be the best.—Lee Sing, North Broad Street.

—Don't forget the entertaining and instructive Bethesda Epworth League. Meetings every Sunday evening at 6.45 o'clock.

—The Rev. George S. Gassner, formerly rector of Christ Church, Delaware City, was married on April 5th, to Mrs. E. E. Regnier of Kansas City, Mo.

—Copies made from Tin Types or any other pictures of any description at Trinklere's Studio.

—If you are going out of town for an outing leave your address at The Transcript office and the paper will follow you. It is the only way to keep posted on town affairs.

Walter G. Merrey, who recently bought out the equipment of the Bridgeton Mattress Company, is now operating the business at Middletown.—Cecil Co. News,

—PLANTS FOR SALE.—200,000 Cold Frame Cabbage Plants for sale at $2.50 per thousand. Orders by mail receive prompt attention. E. J. STEELE, Florist, Middletown, Delaware.

—Edwin A. Van Trump, the well-known fire insurance broker of Wilmington while on a bicycle trip yesterday fell from his wheel dead at Bryn Mawr, Pa.

—Do you want the "best farm wagon made?" If so, buy the Milburn. Do you want to double the profits from your cows? If so, buy the American Separator. The above are for sale by

J. F. McWHORTER & SON

—The Ladies' Aid Society of Townsend, will give an entertainment, entitled "Ye, Old Folks," in the Townsend Hall, Tuesday evening, April 18th. Admission,—Adults 25 cents; children 15 cents.

—Milton Steele, proprietor of the Deer Park Hotel at Newark, has sold it to Joseph G. Townsend, of Wilmington, for $27,500. The new owner and proprietor will take charge on April 25, Mr. Steele retiring.

—Mr. R. W. Cochran brought to the TRANSCRIPT office this week a bunch of Fultz wheat taken from his home farm field between here and Odessa that stands 13 inches high. Who has a better showing than this?

—If you are thinking of buying a wheel stop at J. H. Burrows before looking elsewhere, and see his line comprising of Columbias, Hartfords, Vedettes, Ramblers, Ideals, Winners, Relays, Wynnewoods and others. Headquarters for Sundries.

—The annual session of the Deleware Conference, held at Milford, adjourned Monday. The appointments near here are as follows: Middletown, M. H. Horsey; Odessa, C. J. Hall; Delaware City, J. L. Davis, Kirkwood, S. W. Waters; Galena, G. T. Townsend.

—Messrs. George W. Price, A. A. Kilpatrick, H. H. Hall, Robert L. Johnson and W. Edgar Johnson of the Diamond State Band this town, played with the Smyrna band at the entertainment given by the White Rose Minstrels at Chestertown, Md, Thursday evening.

—A branch cut from the peach orchard of L. P. Campbell, just below Woodland Beach, and brought to town yesterday showed it to be full of half-developed blossom buds. The farm of E. R. Cochran, further down the island, is said to have a good show for a peach crop, but there are farmers in this vicinity who expect to have peaches to market.—Smyrna Times.

—Rev. Edmund L. Hoffeker, formerly of Wilmington Conference, but now stationed in one of the churches of Kingston, New York East Conference, has had a revival going on in his church, that numbers 600 conversions. The revival started in a chapel at the "Week of Prayer" was not removed to the church properly until March, and it is hoped that the converts will number 1000 before it is over.

—Messrs. J. C. Parker & Son received this week an order for four sets of Coach Harness at $200.00 per set. It is expressly stipulated that it is to be machine sewed. The order comes from Newark, N. J., directly under the shadow of the large New York City factories and is a great compliment to the excellent work of the Diamond State Harness.

—This is splendid advice from an exchange: "Don't buy ahead of your pay day, so that when it comes your wages will all go in a single day to pay for what you have already had. If you have gotten into this old rut, get out of it. Do without the necessaries of life if need be until your salary is yours on pay day, then buy for cash. Lay aside a little each month, for rainy days—they come in the lifetime of every man."

—Former Congressman James Williams, father of our fellow townsman, Mr. Nathaniel Williams, aged 74 years, died at his residence in Smyrna Wednesday morning. He has been confined to his room for the last six months, and been in failing health for two years. He leaves two children, Mrs. Esther Cummins, widow of W. Polk Cummins of Smyrna, being the second. Mr. Williams was elected to Congress, on the Democratic ticket, in 1874, and again in 1876. He was, prior to this a member and speaker of the State Senate. He was also elected State Senator in 1890, for a short term. He leaves a good sized estate.

—The shad fishermen of New Castle are growing confident that there will be a season this year after all. The cold weather has put it back almost half a month. This time last year some of the men had their nets and boats paid for and a neat little sum laid by for a rainy day. This year has been backward, and the men have lost in proportion to last year's gain. They hope to make it up, though. The Fishermen's Protective Association, whose office is on the wharf, reported the largest catch of the season Tuesday. The highest catch of any one fisherman was 127. The fish are selling at about thirty cents per piece a hundred.

—William E Cotter, of Philadelphia, was found guilty on two counts of the indictment for conspiring with W. N. Boggs to misapply the funds of the First National Bank of Dover, Del. His sentence is to pay a fine of $5000 and be imprisoned for 18 months. District Attorney Vandegrift Thursday asked the Court for permission to enter a nolle prosequi in the cases of State Senator J. Frank Allee, Amos Cole, Charles S. Butler and Joshua R. McGonial, who were also indicted for aiding and abetting Boggs. The Court granted his motion. The only Dover bank cases now open are those against United States Senator Richard R. Kenney and Harry F. Foard of Dover.

—The average daily temperature of the fickle month of April is 51 degrees, but in 28 years there have been marked variations from this record. April 1871, for instance, averaged 57 degrees, but this is the warmest April on record, and contrasts with 1874, the coldest April, when the mean temperature was 43. The highest the thermometer ever reached in April was on the 30th of the month in 1888, when 91 degrees was registered, and the lowest the mercury ever sank to was on the 12 in 1874, when 18 degrees was reached. On April 10th and 11th in 1894, there fell 1 2 inches of snow, the greatest ever recorded for 24 hours in April. There are on the average nine clear days ten partly cloudy days, and eleven cloudy days in April. The prevailing wind is from the boundless northwest, and Old Borea's best record is fifty miles an hour on April 3d, 1879.

—Forest Presbyterian Church had a very large day last Sunday. It was very gratifying to the members of the church and especially so to the pastor, Rev. Francis H. Moore, D. D. For some time the officials and members have contemplated some improvements, including the frescoing of the audience room, the re-seating of the Sunday-school room, painting, new carpets throughout, etc. After an appropriate sermon on Sunday morning touching upon the beautifying of the Lord's house, a subscription was started which with the amount in the evening from those not present at the morning service footed up the exact sum of $1100.00. The treasury has had a reserve fund of $180.00 for improvements for some time and the ladies are hopeful that their entertainment and supper given last evening will net $100.00 for this purpose. From those who have not had an opportunity to contribute this amount will be nicely increased, a sufficient sum to make all the contemplated improvements. The result is very gratigying to the church. It was quite a large day. There was an error of $25.00 in Sunday's announcement.

—Professor John R. Sweeney, one of the best-known musical composers who ever visited this Peninsula and was so well-known here died at his home in Chester, Pa., Monday evening. He was in his 63d year, and had been a sufferer for the past year from paralysis. He was born in West Chester December 31st, 1837. At an early age he developed remarkable musical powers and when 19 years old began the systematic study of music. At the age of 22 he was a teacher in Dover, Del., and when the war broke out took charge of the Third Delaware Regiment Band, with which he continued until it was disbanded by the government. In 1871 he removed to Chester. He was twice married. He is survived by his second wife and three children, Colonel Frank G. Sweeney, B. Hilyard Sweeney, and Miss Joseph Sweeney, the latter a noted vocalist. Professor Sweeney composed much music for the Sunday school and few collections of songs for schools were complete without a number of his selections. For a number of years he was conductor of the singing at the Methodist camp meetings at Ocean Grove. He had edited twenty-two books of songs, three anthem books and composed over 1,000 pieces of music. The royalties from his copyrights amount to many thousand dollars annually.

ODESSA NOTES.

Mr. Henry Townsend is at home. Mr. George L. Townsend, Jr., attended the ball at Dover.

Mr. William Rhoades spent a few days with his parents.

Mrs. Wm. R. Davis and son spent several days this week in Wilmington and Philadelphia.

Mrs. L. V. Aspril, Mrs. Serek Shallcross and Miss Velma Moore are in Philadelphia for a few days.

Mrs. Richard Ford, of Newark, N. J., has been with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Watkins, for the past week.

Master John Warner, of Wilmington, spent several days in Odessa the guest of his uncle, Mr. D. W. Corbit.

Miss Martha Townsend has returned home after a protracted visit to friends in New Jersey and in Wilmington, Del.

Mr. W. O. Hurst gave a very pleasing and instructive talk on Thursday evening on his visit to our National Capital.

Mr. Wm. Taylor Atherly met with quite a painful accident on Thursday morning. A young and spirited horse that he was driving started to run, and in attempting to turn in at his own gate his road cart was upset and he was thrown violently to the ground, breaking his right ankle.

The personal property of Mr. W. H. Hickey was sold at public sale on Thursday morning. The store and tin shops was bought by Harry Lightcap, of Middletown.

THE NEW CENTURY CLUB.

The Rev. F. H. Moore, D. D., gave a very interesting lecture before the club at its regular meeting this week and used some fine pictures to illustrate his remarks. He first spoke of the people, and the nation as a world power, showing a large picture containing her immense navy. Then came views exterior and interior of the most celebrated cathedrals and abbeys, including St. Paul's and Westminster, and he told something of the history of each; following were pictures of the palace homes of some of our nobles and statesmen, as the Earl of Westminster, Gladstone, and Lord Saulsbury; and others of Shakespeare's home and of other celebrated British men of letters, finally were some of places of interest in London.

Treasurer reported $33.00 as amount on hand cleared at entertainment of April 4th, but also stated that there were several who had taken tickets to sell and had not as yet reported. Membership fees for next year will be received at all meetings until the close of the club next month. The third and last tea will be given next week, at which date a charade will also add to the entertainment.

PERSONALITIES

Little Lines About Men and Women and What They Are Doing.

—Mr. Edmund Draper and family left yesterday for Wilmington where they will reside. Mr. Draper would have remained in Middletown could he have found a suitable house for rent. Numerous friends regret the departure of the family.

—Mrs. Martin B. Burris, Miss Mollie Burris and Helen Clayton have been recent visitors with Chesapeake City friends.

—Supt. Willard Smith has been visiting the schools in Middletown and in this neighborhood the past week.

—Among the new arrivals in our town is Charles Archie Ritchie, Jr. Dr. and Mrs. Ritchie are receiving the congratulations of their many friends.

—Mrs. Emerson Polk, of Pocomoke City, is the guest of Miss Naudain.

—Miss Sallie Hyatt left this week for a visit with friends in St. Louis, Mo.

—Miss Bessie Anderson is visiting Miss Laura Bucke in the Quacker City.

—Mrs. Howard Pool returned from a visit to Cambridge, Md., on Wednesday.

—Miss Mary Dunning, of Dover, Del., spent Thursday with Miss Mira Nowland.

—Mrs. Alexander Metten is quite ill at her home in Fieldsboro, Del.

—Dr. W. E. Barnard was called to Cheswold Tuesday evening, his sister Miss Hattie Barnard being ill, she is some better at this writing.

—Mrs. Alex. Maxwell, of Wilmington, is visiting Middletown friends.

—Mr. David H. Russell, of Milford, was in Middletown on Thursday and being of the art-preservative fraternity visited the TRANSCRIPT.

—Miss Adda Foard gave a progessive euchre party on Wednesday afternoon to her lady friends in honor of her guest, Miss Jennie Johnson, of Wissohickon. There were six tables. The prize winners were Mrs. Fred Brady, Mrs. Clarence Pool and Mrs. May Draper Bailey. The consolation prize went to Miss Louise Reynolds.

—Mrs. Horace Vaughan is entertaining Mrs. E. P. Moody, of Wilmington.

DELAWARE CITY.

Miss Helen Chearis has returned from a protracted visit in Trenton.

Mrs. Clayton Reybold, of Wilmington, spent this week with Mrs. George W. Reybold.

Rev. George S. Gassner, former rector of Christ Church, has resigned as pastor of the church in Quakertown, Pa., and is living in Philadelphia.

Mrs. Eunice Hoffman, for many years a resident in Kent county, died last Thursday at the home of Dr. Dunlap. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon, Rev. H. S. Thompson conducting the service as the deceased had been a life long member of the M. E. Church. Interment in St. Georges cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman, of Wilmington, also Mrs. William Wallis, of near Kennedyville, Md., attended the funeral of Mrs. Hoffman on Sunday.

The "Poverty Soshul" given by the ladies of the W. C. T. U. last week was quite a success The members of the Loyal Legion testifying to the ability to train little folks of the ladies on that committee (Mrs. Von-Culin, Mrs. Pancoast and Mrs. Linn) by sustaining the parts assigned them in a praiseworthy manner. The "Tablos" were quite fine. The principal feature of the entertainment was the recitation, "Mary's Ride" from Cable's "Dr. Sevier" by Mr. George McIntire which held the audience—to a man—woman too—from the very first word to the very last one. Delaware City will be delighted to hear Mr. McIntire again in the near future. The fining for not wearing certain apparel or for wearing a certain kind, created a great deal of amusement. One young man stoutly asserting he was not subject to a fine which proved quite correct to the intense disgust of the young lady who vainly tried to find jewelry, blacked boots, etc. At the close of the entertainment coffee, ginger bread, cake and ice cream were served, each for the enormous amount of five cents.

Mrs. William A. Price has purchased the house formerly the farm house belonging to the Ashwest farm, also the ground running the length of the square on Washington street from Second to Henry. A farm house with buildings will be erected on the farm. Mr. Price purposes improving his new property.

The attention of the new Mayor is called by request to the condition of the streets in the town. Noticeably to Hamilton from Fifth, the entire length and breadth except at one corner of Fourth street.

Mrs. Thomas VanKirk is critically ill.

Mr. Jacob Rupp and Miss Ella Walls were married on Wednesday evening at the M. E. parsonage.

Miss Hannah Swan, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with her mother.

Rev. Arthur F. Lewis visited Rev. Mr. Phelps in Chesapeake City this week.

Mrs. Dempsey is in town.

Miss Jennie Vail visited in Philadelphia this week.

Miss Annie Schunder will spend Sunday in Philadelphia.

Mrs. L. H. Moore, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with her mother.

Miss Gertrude Sadler visited Miss Agnes Vail this week.

Mrs. F. C. Warner visited in Wilmington this week.

Mr. A. Diamond spent Sunday with Mr. William Davidson.

Mr. William Whitehead and sister, of Wilmington, were in town on Thursday.

Mr. Goodall, of Philadelphia, attended the funeral of his brother-in law, Mr. Morris, on Thursday.

Mrs. Emma Robertson has returned from Atlantic City.

Mrs. Bradway is much improved in health.

A new restaurant is opened in town where Mr. Fearnes had a jewelry store,

MARYLAND ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The Methodist Protestant Conference which has been in session at Crisfield adjourned Tuesday. The local appointments are: Cecil, B. F. Jester; Centreville, F. T. Benson; Chestertown, J. M. Gill; Clayton, J. E. Nicholson; Warwick, W. W. White.

The following church statistics are interesting: Property, number of appointments, 286; churches, 282; parsonages, 88; church papers taken, 1,938; decrease 74; Sunday-school papers taken, 18,933, decrease 1,398; volumes in library, 19.198, decrease 1,364; value of church property, $1,145,155.50, decrease $109,029.50; amount of debt, $141,229.07, increase $34,009; membership number of unstationed ministers and preachers, 83; probationers, 1,298, decrease 622; members, 21.048, decrease 615; number of adults baptized, 156, number of children baptized; 1,375; number of officers and teachers in Sunday-schools, 3,638; new scholars received in Sunday-schools, 2,300; number of scholars in Sunday-schools, 24,889, decreased 886, and conversions in congregation 1327, decrease 896.

THE STATE SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTON.

At the Twelfth Annual Convention of the Delaware State Sunday School Association held in Smyrna last week there were 175 pastors, superintendents and delegates present. The two-days sessions were interesting from first to last. With wide-wake delegates to take home a synopsis of the methods and valuable suggestions made the results must be very beneficial to the cause throughout the State. There are over 450 Protestant Schools in the State.

The report of the Statistical Secretary, Ambrey Vandever, was gathered in a travel of over 3000 miles. The statement shows that 30 per cent. of the population belongs to Sunday Schools, so that Delaware is still 2 per cent ahead of any State in the United States as to membership.

The details is as follows:

NEW CASTLE COUNTY.

Denomination.	No. of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.
Advent	1	6	45	50
African M. E.	12	69	725	794
A. U. F. C. M. P.	6	88	591	679
Baptist	19	299	2532	2831
Breakfast Association	1	8	8	58
Colored M. E.	4	30	150	180
Chinese	1	12	24	36
Congregational	1	10	40	50
Friends (H).	9	25	200	225
Friends (O).	2	20	120	140
Evangelica l Lutheran	2	45	475	520
Meth. Episcopal, W.	50	1234	9701	10935
" " C.	18	195	1568	1763
" Protestant.	2	42	410	452
New Jerusalem	1	5	26	31
Presbyterian	35	496	3941	4437
People's Mission	1	6	46	51
Protestant Episcopal.	20	227	2239	2664
Reformed Episcopal.	1	14	105	114
Union.	2	11	75	86
Union A. M.	10	61	527	648
Unitarian	1	8	40	48
Zion M. E.	2	12	60	72
	198	2022	23744	26666

KENT COUNTY.

African M. E.	19	168	854	1012
A. U. F. C. M. P.	3	13	110	123
Baptist	4	43	428	471
Meth. Episcopal, W.	43	718	5000	5718
" " C.	13	90	447	537
" Protestant	13	134	1134	1268
Presbyterian	4	40	295	341
Protestant Episcopal.	6	57	281	618
Reformed.	1	10	72	82
Union	1	10	40	50
	107	1262	8661	9922

SUSSEX COUNTY.

African M. E.	12	111	501	612
Baptist	1	3	20	23
Christian Disciples	1	10	55	65
Meth. Episcopal, W.	70	1013	9094	10107
" " C.	16	157	721	878
" Protestant	21	225	1825	2060
Presbyterian	11	104	641	745
Protestant Episcopal.	8	34	322	356
Union	1	17	112	129
	141	1684	13291	14975
Total for State	446	5867	45667	51624

The attendance at the convention during the session was as follows: Methodist Episcopal—43 schools; 84 delegates; 9 pastors; 10 superintendents. Presbyterian—13 schools 21 delegates; 3 pastors; 3 superintendents. Baptist—5 schools; 9 delegates; 2 pastors; 5 superintendents. Methodist Protestant—2 schools; 4 delegtaes; 2 superintendents. Protestan Episcopals—1 school; 1 superintendent. African M. E.—2 schools; 4 delegates; 1 superintendent. Friends—1 school; 1 delegates. Total—67 schools; 125 delegates; 14 pastors; 22 superintendents. There were 12 officers and speakers, not delegates, present, making the total attendance 173.

Mrs. Lottie F. Brockson, of Blackbird, a friend and co-worker of the late Charles Baird, delivered the following orginal poem on his memory, and by a unanimous vote it was spread on the minutes of the association:

"One of earth's noblemen is dead,"
This the waiting angel said.
"Give him a welcome home to-day,"
This was what he heard God say.
Loud and clear these sweet echoes rang,
Soft and low the angels sang

"Welcome home, beloved and blest,
Enter thou into thy rest;
Thou has been faithful, good and true,
I've prepared this for you."
There is joy in Heaven to-day,
That is what the angels say.

Yes, he's free from all pain and care,
The Master's glory he'll share:
With Him while here he oft did walk,
With Him in Heaven he'll talk.
No, he is not a stranger there.
While on earth he did prepare.

This meeting has an empty place,
Our hearts have a vacant space;
Before us clearly in our minds
Come his words' cheerful and kind:
"Never weary, never grow old,
The Master's promises take hold."

When thou did'st our dear brother call,
On whom did his mantle fall?
To do Thy will he was ready,
And in Thy faith walked steady;
Always meek and humble in mind,
To little ones he was kind.

Father, teach us each so to walk,
Ready for thy cause to talk.
We thank thee for his life while here,
It will help us hold life dear.
He was a friend in word and deed,
He ne'er forsook one in need.

Our friend and brother has gone home;
Sad and weary we're alone.
We miss him each step on our way,
Why with the dead must he lay?
We miss his cheerful face and voice,
To do God's work was his choice.

Oh God, thou true friend of us all,
'Tis to thee we make this call.
Give unto each and every one
Of thy loving spirit some,
That we our friend may some day greet;
Mingle 'round thy mercy seat,

W. L. Pettingill made the closing address. It was a masterly effort and the treat of the convention. His topic was, "The Teacher's High Calling." He scored the selection of Sunday School teachers as made in many schools of the country to day. If you ask many of the Superintendents why certain persons were selected as teachers you are met with the reply that nobody else will serve. It is not everybody who is trained to this line of work. Successful teachers are called of God for the work, and the teacher should feel that God is directing the work which he is endeavoring to do. The Sunday School should be made interesting and attractive so that the boy will be glad to see the time come when he can attend the school. If the proper effort is made here the parent will not have to worry on Sunday afternoon as to where his boy is spending the time. The Sunday School is no place to study geography or biography. Here the word of God should be studied. Prof. Pettingill also touched up those who bored people to join church. He said the church records were filled with the names of people whose hearts had not been touched by the blood of Jesus. Get the people throughly dedicated to the Lord and they will join the church without being asked.

Messrs. Vance Armstrong Bert Davidson represented Armstrong's School. The TRANSCRIPT is indebted to the "Smyrna Call's columns for this synopsis.

Removal Notice.

February 1st, 1899, I will remove my Office and Residence to the Miss Bessie Anderson property situated on the same side of West Main Street as that upon which I have been located for the past six years, and adjoining the vacant lot at the corner of Main and Scott Streets on one side and the residence of Mr. Jesse L. Shepherd on the other.

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No. 1181.

REPORT of the CONDITION of the CITIZENS' NATIONAL BANK, at Middletown, in the State of Delaware, at the close of business, April 5th, 1899:

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$147,290 61
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		317 00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		80,000 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds		5,500 00
Stocks, securities, etc.		6,835 00
Banking house, furniture, fixtures		13,000 00
Other real estate and mortgages owned		3,000 00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)		2,165 20
Due from State Banks and Bankers		2,471 38
Due from approved reserve agents		9 914 64
Notes of other National Banks		1,085 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		149 68
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:		
Specie	9,300 00	
Legal tender notes	6,000 00	
		15,300 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)		3,550 00
Total		$290,578 60

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock paid in	$ 80,000 00
Surplus Fund	14,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	3,056 01
National Bank notes outstanding	72,000 00
Due to other National Banks	4,903 71
Individual deposits subject to check	116,618 88
Total	$290,578 60

STATE OF DELAWARE, } ss.
County of New Castle, }

I, John S. Crouch, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN S. CROUCH, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of April, 1899.

WILLIAM R. REYNOLDS, N. P.

Correct—Attest: JOSEPH BIGGS, S. C. BIGGS, JESSE L. SHEPHERD, } Directors.

No. 3019

REPORT of the CONDITION of the PEOPLE'S NATIONAL BANK, at Middletown, in the State of Delaware, at the close of business, April 5th, 1899:

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$148,910 47
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		142 12
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		51,000 06
Premiums on U. S. Bonds		3,000 00
Stocks, securities, etc.		7,910 00
Banking-house, furniture, fixtures		11,500 00
Due from National Banks, (not Reserve Agents)		7,335 80
Due from State Banks and Bankers		190 12
Due from approved reserve agents		6,634 16
Checks and other cash items		116 69
Notes of other National Banks		2,119 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		203 69
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:		
Specie	5,361 45	
Legal-tender notes	2,020 00	
		7,951 45
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)		2,295 00
Total		$249,238 50

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	$ 80,000 00
Surplus fund	11,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	2,165 30
National Bank notes outstanding	45,900 00
Due to other National Banks	1,386 99
Due to State Banks and Bankers	254 79
Individual deposits subject to check	95,859 33
Certified Checks	343 59
Cashier's checks outstanding	8 50
Notes and bills rediscounted	6,320 00
Bills payable	6,000 00
Total	$249,238 50

STATE OF DELAWARE, } ss.
County of New Castle, }

I, G. D. Kelley, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

G. D. KELLEY, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of April, 1899.

WILLIAM R. REYNOLDS, N. P.

Correct—Attest: G. W. W. NAUDAIN, Z. A. POOL, GEO. L. TOWNSEND, } Directors.

NOTICE!

I, JOHN P. McINTYRE, tenant of the house known as the National Hotel, situated at Middletown, in United School Districts Nos. 60 and 94, county of New Castle and State of Delaware, in compliance with the requirements of the acts of the General Assembly, in such case made and provided, do hereby give notice that I shall apply in writing to the Court of the General Session of the Peace and Jail Delivery of the State of Delaware, in and for New Castle county, on MONDAY, the 15th day of May, A. D., 1899, being the next term of said court, for a license for said house as an inn or tavern, for the sale therein of intoxicating liquors, in less quantities than one quart, to be drunk on the premises and the following respectable citizens of the said United School District recommend the said application, viz:

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Paul Weber,	John B. Bratton,
Julian Cochran,	J. L. Parsons,
Frank L. Cates,	Timothy Caldwell,
G. Ellis,	William A. Ahern,
Howard Dickson,	Theodore Whitlock,
C. K. Clayton,	Joseph A. Snydam,
Rufus Jones,	James C. Story,
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SECRET SOCIETIES.

Middletown Council, No. 2, Jr. O. U. A. M. Meets every Monday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Union Lodge, No. 5, A. F. & A. M. Meets first Tuesday of each month in Town Hall.

Good Samaritan Lodge, No. 9, I. O. O. F. Meets every Thursday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Damon Lodge, No. 12, K. of P. Meets every Wednesday night in McWhorter's Hall at 8 o'clock.

Major John Jones Post, No. 22, G. A. R. Meets every Friday night in Reynolds Building at 7 o'clock

Welcome Conclave Heptasophs. Meets every second and fourth Friday night in K of P. Hall.

Union Lodge, No. 6, A. O. U. W., meets every 2d and 4th Tuesday night in McWhorter's Hall.

LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS.

Volunteer Hose Company, meets first Friday night of each month in Hose House.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., APRIL 15, 1899

FARM AND GARDEN

ORCHARD CULTURE.

Effects of Clean Cultivation and of Cropping.

Whether orchards shall be cropped or given clean cultivation, how cultivation shall be done, whether it shall be continued throughout the season and similar problems depend very largely on local conditions of soil, climate and the like. Various experiment stations have conducted experiments to find out what methods give best results and why they do so. As stated in farmers' bulletin No. 87, a study was made at the Nebraska station of the effect of culti-

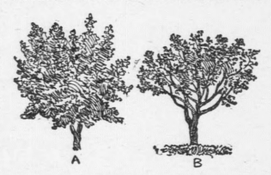

FIG. 1—CULTIVATED AND UNCULTIVATED.

vation on the growth of apple trees, the size of fruit and the water contents of the soil. The report says: "The trees in cultivated ground suffered noticeably less from the drought and hot winds of summer than those in sod ground. The foliage was darker and more vigorous in appearance, and there was no yellowing and dropping of the leaves or wilting during hot windy days, both of which occurred with uncultivated trees. Apples from cultivated land averaged nearly 14 per cent larger in weight than those from pasture land and over 17 per cent larger than those from mowed land." The average percentages of moisture in the first 20 inches of the soil in different portions of the orchard in the latter part of October were "Mowed portion, 14; pasture portion, 14.7; portion cultivated till August, 17, and portion cultivated the entire season, 20.4."

Observations on grass land near the orchard showed that alfalfa only two years old took the moisture from the soil as completely as an old June grass sod. These facts show how very necessary cultivation is in a dry climate. That the same is true in dry seasons in moister climates is shown by observations at the Cornell (N. Y.) station.

The California station has recently reported an instance of the beneficial effect of cultivation on the growth and fruitfulness of orchards. Apricots grown in adjacent fields under exactly the same conditions, except for cultivation, showed great difference in behavior. See Fig. 1, where A represents a cultivated and B an uncultivated apricot tree in a dry season. The soil of the region in which the orchards are located has a rather loose texture. One orchard was cultivated several inches deep, and the other was uncultivated. During one season the trees in the cultivated field made a wood growth of over three feet, while those in the uncultivated field made a growth of not over three inches. There was also a great difference in the fruit. The average percentage of moisture in the first six feet of soil was 6.3 in the cultivated orchard and 4.2 in the other one. A recent bulletin of the Illinois station reports marked benefit from clean cultivation of an orchard. In 1890 three rows each of Ben Davis and Grimes Golden apples were planted, the trees being set 15 feet apart each way. These were divided into four plats, the first being given clean cultivation and the second, third and fourth being cropped with oats, clover and blue grass, respectively (Fig. 2). The same treatment was continued each year after planting. The trees grown on the grass plats were decidedly inferior to those grown on the cultivated plat as regards height, diameter of trunk, vigor and abundance of foliage, etc. For instance, in the case of the Ben Davis trees the diameter of the trunks one foot above the surface of the soil was about twice as great in the case of the cultivated plat as in case of that in grass. Similarly the height of the trees in the two plats averaged 18¾ and 11 feet, and the diameter of the tops 15¼ and 8½ feet respectively. In growth and vigor of the trees the clover plat ranked next after the cultivated, and the oats ranked between the clover and the blue grass plats. Fig. 2 shows the effect of the different systems of culture on the growth of apple trees—A, clean cultivation; B, cropped with oats; C, cropped with clover; D, cropped with blue grass.

The injury caused by growing grass in young orchards is shown very em-

FIG. II—DIFFERENT SYSTEMS OF CULTURE.

phatically by an experiment conducted at the Utah station. Parts of an orchard were seeded to alfalfa, timothy, clover and a mixture of timothy and clover soon after the trees were set, and other parts were cultivated, all being irrigated alike. Over half of the trees in the grass plats died and were reset twice, while the cultivated trees lived and grew well. It is not to be expected that growing grass in young orchards is always as injurious as it proved to be at the Utah station, yet the reported experiences of fruit growers and experimenters everywhere show the importance of carefully cultivating young orchards. Even in a climate as moist as that of England grass proves very detrimental to young trees. Notwithstanding all this it must not be understood that clean cultivation is best in all cases.

IN THE APIARY.

The Best Plan For Saving Queenless Colonies.

More colonies than usual will be found without queens this spring. This is true on account of the fact that bees have suffered badly the present winter owing to the extreme cold weather, and all colonies that have been left out on their summer stands unprotected are winter killed down very weak, if they have at all survived. A corresponding loss of queens will also be found, and all colonies that have sustained this loss will, in a short time, become extinct if some attention is not given them.

Queenless colonies may now scarcely be considered worth the attention to save them if we cannot secure queens for them, but it is not this; if these hives are allowed to remain in this condition robbers will soon find them and a greater destruction will occur. These hives doubtless contain more or less honey, and the bees that are in them will be a great help to other colonies if they are united with them. This is the proper thing to do with all those queenless colonies now, and this should be done on the first warm day that presents itself. All the unoccupied combs and hives should be taken up and placed away where they are safe and where the bees will not find them.

All combs in hives in which the bees have died should be stored away carefully, for they are very valuable to again build up colonies on. A good set of combs is fully half the value of a colony, and by its help we can soon again replace our loss. These combs may be cleaned of dead bees and dirt only as far as we can do so by lightly brushing the same from them, but we cannot undertake to clean them thoroughly, removing dead bees that have crawled into the cells and died there, without injuring the combs. But just put them away in this condition and when they are given to the bees they will readily clean them and remove all dead bees from the cells.

A. H. Duff concludes the foregoing advice, given in the Kansas Farmer, with the statement that it is rather difficult to procure queen bees very early in spring. Southern beekeepers usually have them a month or more before we can rear them in the north, so that by sending south for them we can supply many of our queenless stocks in time to save them. Not unless such colonies are very strong in bees will it pay to secure queens for them. When they are weak, it is best to unite them with others.

Earliest Wax Bean In Cultivation.

The most striking claim made for the comparatively new Valentine wax bean by one seedsman is that "it is first in earliness, first in productiveness and first in quality; a perfect Valentine bean with wax pods." Another confirms this with the description, "A new round podded wax sort and the earliest wax bean in cultivation."

Henderson, in illustrating it, says: Up to now there has been no variety

VALENTINE WAX BEAN.

of such prominence among wax beans that could compare with that of the Valentine among green beans. We now have an excellent wax podded variety possessing in a remarkable degree the excellent features of this sort. It is very early for a wax bean. A planting made on June 12 gave us a fair picking by July 28—46 days. Its value as a shipper remains to be proved, but it is certainly very tender and almost without string. In fact, the pod is free from any toughness whatever, but is remarkably solid throughout.

Hardy Blackberries.

Blackberries found most hardy at the Ohio station are Early King, Snyder, El Dorado and Ancient Briton. Early King is the earliest of any hardy kind, being nearly equal to the Snyder in hardiness and about two weeks earlier. El Dorado is the largest of the hardy sorts and the best in quality, while the Snyder seems still to hold first place as to productiveness. Erie and Ohmer are excellent varieties, but not perfectly hardy. Rathburn is promising, although it has not been fully tested as to hardiness.

News and Notes.

Those who are interested in hybrid plums will find in bulletin No. 67 of the Vermont station descriptive and historical notes on 50 varieties, with many illustrations and other valuable information.

The department of agriculture has received a consignment of varieties of Russian grains and other products, the grains being selected with the expectation that they will resist rust and drought. All these are not for general distribution, but are to be experimented upon first at the various agricultural stations.

Gregory's Surprise is said to be among the earliest wrinkled peas.

It is said that the entire annual growth of wheat in England could support the population but 14 weeks.

Soils which when moistened and brought into contact with blue litmus paper cause the paper to turn red need lime.

Chimney soot is an obstruction to snails, and if placed thickly around hotbeds will prevent their securing entrance, according to Meehan.

TO FIRST VOTERS.

There is a constitutional provision which will become operative before the next general election is held, of which the general public may not be aware, although it has been published in connection with the Constitutional Convention. It is an educational test. It is "that no person who becomes of age or who is naturalized after January 1st, 1900, shall be permitted to vote who shall not be able to read the Constitution in English, and be capable of writing his name."

Brief Piece of Mind—"Clara, I love to be with you." "Why, Edith?" "When I'm with you I know you are not gossiping about me."

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Hotel Life In Washington.

At breakfast the other morning a Washington young woman found a little note at her plate saying that her aunt had arrived from the east the night before and was at a well known hotel. About 9 o'clock she went to the hotel indicated and asked the clerk whether the newcomer had been down to breakfast yet. The clerk informed her that he did not believe she had been down and offered to send up a card.

"Oh, never mind doing that!" she replied. "You just tell me the number of her room, and I will go up."

"No. —," promptly replied the clerk, and the young woman took the elevator.

Upon arriving at the door of No. —, instead of rapping, she softly put her ear to the door and listened in order that she might not disturb her aunt if she were asleep. She heard no noise and so took out one of her cards, and after writing, "Will come again at 10—Jane," she tied a little bunch of flowers to it and left it on the knob, where it would fall into the doorway when the door was opened.

At 10 o'clock she came again. The clerk had not seen her aunt and did not believe that she had left her room. So, after looking about the parlors in vain, she went to the door of No. — and softly tapped.

"Who is it?" came a gruff voice, and at the same time a man opened the door and stepped out into the hall.

"Oh, you are the party who was coming again at 10, are you?" continued the man smilingly. "Well, what can I do for you?"

"Nothing, thank you," she replied, "unless you come down stairs and help me thrash that hotel clerk."—Washington Post.

The Poverty of Rome.

There is a terrible poverty in Rome, of which the beggars who await you at every street corner are but too genuine a sign. The first gesture learned by the children of poor people in Rome is to hold out their hands for alms. They begin when they are so young that they can only totter, and they are still holding out their hands for alms when they can only totter because they are so old.

Yet another sign of it I find in the 3,000 cabmen of Rome, sitting hungrily on their boxes, in their worm eaten fur coats, too lazy to do anything but sit there holding out their whips to solicit every passer and unable to make a decent living even in a place so frequented by strangers and a place where every one drives. But even here, in these beggars and cabmen, is there not a certain participation, at all events, in that open air life which is the felicity of Rome? "Abbiamo pazienza," say the poor people, and sit in the sun.—Arthur Symons in Harper's Magazine For April.

Cured Him.

An intimate friend of Rear Admiral John W. Philip tells the following anecdote of the gallant naval officer: Though Philip's religious side has been much emphasized and commented on, he is a determined man and will brook no opposition. Once when he was in charge of the Pacific Mail steamer China he carried two passengers of foreign nationality who persisted in smoking in their staterooms during the hours when smoking was prohibited. Philip, then captain, called their attention to the fact, but instead of heeding his warning one answered him impudently. Nothing further was said at the time, but the next morning the offensive passenger was handcuffed to the upper deck for three hours, and for the remainder of the trip that particular person seemed to have lost all desire to indulge in back talk to the captain.

The Ashes of Love.

The women are telling of an Atchison man who treated his wife with indifference and cruelty in their early married life. They say he is now down on his knees blowing into the dead ashes of her love trying to revive a spark of affection for him. How women love to picture a man in such an attitude! It is probably the dream of every neglected wife that some day her husband will try to warm his hands like a frozen Cupid at the fires of her love, and will find only dead ashes there. There are enough dead ashes in the average woman's dreams to macadamize a road.—Atchison Globe.

A Subtle Plea.

While Sir M. E. Grant-Duff was governor general of Madras a judge imposed a fine on a native Christian. The latter had no lawyer to defend him, but he put in the following remarkable plea: "Your honor may be right, I may be wrong; I may be right, honor wrong. Let honor give me back the fine, and then at day of resurrection, when all hearts will be open, if I am wrong I will most gladly, sir, return your honor the money."

They Were Both Right.

Hicks—I saw Gabble and Maunder a little while ago. I was quite delighted.

Wicks—Delighted to see a couple of such outrageous bores?

Hicks—They had just separated as I came within earshot. Gabble soliloquized, "That fellow makes me so weary!" and Maunder said to himself, "I'll bet I've lost a pound of flesh."—Boston Transcript.

Why Letters Go Astray.

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Tommy—Mamma, why have you got papa's hair in a locket?

His Mother—To remind me that he once had some, Tommy.—Jewelers' Weekly.

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Baltimore	6.25	8.23	12 05	3.00	4:20	7.58
Wilmington	8 13	11.04	2.35	4.27	6.36	11.56
Farnhurst	f 8.22		f 2.44		7.04	
New Castle	8 27	f 11.21	2.49	4.39	7.09	
State Road	f8.33		f 2.54		7:14	
Bear	f8.38		f 2.59	f 4.48	7:19	
Porter	8.45		f 3.04	4.52	7:25	
Kirkwood	8.50		f 3.09		7:31	
Mt. Pleasant	8.59		f 3.17		7:39	
Armstrong	f 9.03				7:44	
Middletown	9.08	11.50	3.26	5.18	f 7:48	12.39
Townsend	9 17		3.34	5 28	f 7:56	
Blackbird	f 9.22		f 3.39		f 8:01	
Gr'n Spring	f 9.27		f 3.45		f8:07	
Clayton	9 33	12 07	3.15	5 42	8:18	12.57
Smyrna, LV	9.23	11.57	3.41	5 21	8:05	
Brenford	f9.38		f 3.59		f8:18	
Cheswold	f9.43		f 4.04		f8:24	
Dupont			f 4.0			
Dover	9.58	12.23	4.14	5.59	8:34	1.16
Wyoming	10.05	f12.29	4 20	6.05	8:40a	1.24
Woodside	f10 11			f 6.11	f8.47	
Viola	f10.15			f 6.15	f8.51	
Felton	10 20	f12.40		6.20	8.56a	1.38
Harrington	10 34	12.53		6.33	9.07	1.50
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Greenwood	f10.50	f 1.08		f 6.49	f9.23	
Bridgeville	10.58	f 1.16		6.57	9.31	a 2.14
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Seaford	11.13	1.27		7.11	9 45	2.26
Laurel	11.23	f 1.37		7.21	9.55	a 2.38
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"a" Stops to leave passengers from Wilmington and points north, or take passengers for points south of Delmar.

"f" Stops only on notice to conductor or agent or on signal.

"p" Stops to leave passengers from Middletown and points south.

"b" Stops to leave passengers from points south of Delmar, or take passengers for Wilming and points north.

NEW CASTLE ACCOMMODATION TRAINS.—Leave Wilmington 8.13, 11.04, a. m., 2.35, 4.27, and 6.55, p. m., week-days. Leave New Castle 8.31, 9.46, 11.04 a. m., 4.47 and 6.57 p. m., week-days.

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DELAWARE, MARYLAND & VIRGINIA R. R.—Leave Harrington for Franklin City and way stations 10.39 a. m. 6.37 p. m week days. Returning train leaves Franklin City 5.50 a. m. and 1.37 p. m. week days.

Leave Franklin City for Chincoteague (via steamer) 1.43 p. m., week days Returning, leave Chincoteague 4.42 a. m., week-days.

Leave Harrington for Georgetown, Lewes at 10.39 a. m., 6.37 p. m., week-days. Returning, leave Lewes 6.45 a. m. and 3.00 p. m. week-days.

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QUEEN ANNE & KENT R. R.—Leave Townsend for Centreville and way stations 9.21 a. m., and 5.31 p. m., week days Returning, leave Centreville 7.36 a. m., and 2.37 p. m., week-days.

DELAWARE & CHESAPEAKE R. R.—Leave Clayton for Oxford and way stations 9.38 a. m., and 5.47 p. m., week-days. Returning, leave Oxford 6.45 a. m., and 1 40 p. m., week-days.

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